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Court denies Coventry election appeal

November 22, 2010: In the matter of Christopher Piasczyk v. the state Board of Elections and the Coventry Board of Canvassers, the Rhode Island Supreme Court today denied Mr. Piasczyk's appeal of the Town Council election in which he was a candidate.

On Friday, a single justice of the Supreme Court had temporarily barred the certification of a winner in the race for the District 5 seat on the Town Council pending a tabulation of provisional ballots today. The full court denied the appeal this afternoon.

The Supreme Court's order is attached to this e-mail.

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Supreme Court

No. 2010-405-M.P.

Christopher Piasczyk

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Rhode Island State Board of Elections, John Daluz, Chair, Frank Rego, Richard Dubois and Richard Pierce, and Coventry Board of Canvassers, Dorothy Berube, Chair, Francis Perry and Lori Hart and Thaddeus Jendzejec.

ORDER

The Court has reviewed the information provided to it by the parties, pursuant to the Court's Order of November 19, 2010. Upon review of the materials submitted and upon consideration of this matter, the Court enters the following Order.

1. The petitioner's petition for certiorari, injunctive relief, and request that the Coventry Board of Canvassers be stayed from certifying an election winner in District 5 of the Town Council of the Town of Coventry is hereby denied.

Entered as an Order of this Court this 22nd day of November, 2010.

By Order,